

The Bamberg Herald

Thursday, Dec. 24, 1914.

SHORT LOCALS.

Brief Items of Interest Throughout the Town and County.

The Herald force will observe Christmas day, which is the only week-day in the year that the office is closed.

The Bamberg cotton mill will close Wednesday night and remain closed until Monday morning, allowing the employees three holidays.

7:30 p. m., Friday evening next there will be a "Christmas Sunday-school" at Trinity Methodist church. The public is cordially invited.

The Herald will be glad to accept as payment of subscriptions, chickens, eggs, sweet potatoes, or in fact anything else that one can eat, at market prices.

There are but two days before Christmas. These will be the merchants' busiest days, and the people should not wait until the last hour Thursday to do their Christmas shopping.

The graded school closed Friday for the Christmas holidays, and the teachers have gone to their respective homes to spend the vacation. The school will resume on Monday, January 4th.

The prospects Tuesday were that we would have clear weather Christmas day, although the weather is so changeable these days, the weather man may be all wrong, as he frequently is.

Carlisle school closed for the Christmas holidays on Saturday afternoon, and the holidays will last until the first Tuesday in January. The students left for their homes Saturday and Sunday to spend Christmas.

The per capita amount spent in Bamberg county for education is \$21.07 for white children and \$1.11 for negro children, according to a report just issued. This ranks well with the average in other counties of the State.

It is said that the carnival that mustered up enough nerve to travel around this fall, showing here last week, all but "went busted." Some of the party did not have enough money to pay their board bills, and none of the so-called shows did any business to speak of.

Although there are not any elaborate displays of Christmas or holiday goods in Bamberg, shoppers will find the stocks here compare most favorably with those to be found in the cities. In fact, in some respects, the stores here have better stocks of goods than can be found in some of the larger establishments.

Congressman James F. Byrnes has had forwarded to The Herald a quantity of the soil survey bulletins of Bamberg county. All parties who desire a copy of this valuable bulletin may secure the same by calling or sending to this office. The bulletins are free for the asking. Attached to the bulletin is a large map of Bamberg county, which is worth keeping.

Dr. B. F. Morey, who has been a veterinarian located at Mr. G. Frank Bamberg's stables for some months, left Sunday for his home in Clinton, Ind. Dr. Morey is an expert veterinarian and the people of the city and county have considered themselves fortunate that a veterinarian of his ability should be in Bamberg. He is an affable and pleasant gentleman, made scores of friends throughout the county, and is an acquisition to any community.

Box rent cards are now being put in boxes for the next quarter's rent. It will be noted that all box rents have been advanced, on instructions from the postoffice department. The postmaster has no control over this matter, the box rents advancing when the postoffice advanced one class. The rent must be paid by the night of the 31st, or the box will be closed. Patrons are reminded of this fact, so they will not blame the postoffice if the boxes are closed because of non-payment of box rent.

Camp Jenkins.

Headquarters Camp Jenkins No. 627.

All members of this camp are called to meet in Bamberg, S. C., at the court house 12 o'clock m., on Monday, January 4, 1915.

Comrades will come prepared to pay annual dues, also to elect officers for ensuing year.

J. K. RISHOR,
Commander.

W. A. Riley,
Adj.

Christmas at the Postoffice.

As Christmas day is a holiday, the local postoffice will not be open all day. The windows will be open from 8:30 to 11:30 a. m., and from 5:30 to 6:00 p. m., and will be opened for a few minutes immediately after the night mail, as usual.

Carnival Man Commits Suicide.

One of the carnival men, known to his associates as "Whitey," committed suicide Saturday night late by drinking a quantity of carbolic acid. Dr. Stuckey was summoned to give medical attention to the man immediately after it was discovered that he had taken the poison, but nothing could be done to save his life, and he died a half hour afterward. At the carnival grounds last week "Whitey" operated a concession at which people took chances on toy dogs. His wife also ran a concession on the grounds. It is said that domestic trouble caused the man to become despondent, and it is said that he had previously made an attempt to end his life. It seems that the man was without friends even among the carnival crowd, as his body was turned over to the town for burial. The body was buried in the potter's field at the cemetery Sunday afternoon. Policeman Jennings and two colored men burying the remains. It was found that both he and his wife were without funds, and a small sum of money was made up for the woman to get out of the town on, she going with the carnival to Brunswick, Ga.

From Mr. M. W. Brabham.

Editor The Bamberg Herald:—I am enclosing herewith check for \$1.50 for which you will please renew my subscription to The Herald. Please note change in my address as follows: Old address: 103 N. McDowell St., Raleigh, N. C. New address: College Station, Durham, N. C. At the last session of the North Carolina conference it was decided to move the headquarters of the field secretary to Trinity college, Durham, so that there might be a closer relation of that college to the religious educational work of the Sunday-schools. The college is to provide some financial aid to the board and at the same time it is hoped to develop a course in Sunday-school methods and plans among the students. This is regarded as one of the greatest forward steps ever taken in this conference. With best wishes and kindest personal regards for all of The Herald force, I am, yours very truly,

M. WILLIAM BRABHAM.

New Advertisements.

Cotton Oil Co.—Notice.
Enterprise Bank—Busy as Bees.
W. A. Klauber—Clothing at Cost.
A. J. Hydrick, Jr.—Bankrupt Notice.
Delk's Market—Your Xmas Dinner.
B. W. Simmons & Co.—At This Season.
LaVerne Thomas & Co.—Buy Your Xmas Gifts.
Bamberg Banking Co.—A Most Appropriate Gift.
Farmers & Merchants Bank—The Boss Goes Early.
J. B. Brickley—The New Year Will Bring Joy to You.
Price & Johnson—Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

Almost Lost His Balloon.

Saturday afternoon, when the balloon man at the carnival, made his usual ascent, the "thing" refused to work, but the balloonist succeeded in bringing himself and the balloon to the ground long enough for him to extricate himself on the ground. While he was detaching his parachute, the balloon made a successful getaway. The sand bag respectfully declined to overturn the gas bag, with the result that the "whole shooting match" immediately took flight in the direction of Ehrhardt. When everyone had given up hopes that it would descend anywhere near Bamberg, the unexpected happened, and the bag fell right where it left, descending from an entirely different direction.

Barnwell-Bamberg S. S. Convention.

There will be a Sunday-school institute conducted in the Baptist church, Barnwell, by Dr. T. J. Watts, State Sunday-school secretary, and J. J. Gentry, late of Louisville, Kentucky, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, January 13, 14 and 15, 1915. All teachers and officers of our Sunday-schools are very cordially invited to attend. Delegates will be entertained and are requested to send their names to Rev. W. L. Hayes, Barnwell. Programme will be published later.

Junior League.

At the last meeting of the league Gene Price, our president, took charge of the meeting. The scriptural lesson was taken from the 13th chapter of Exodus. Rebecca Dickinson read very effectively a Christmas story. An instrumental solo was played by Margaret Jennings. Miss Alma Black read of the way in which the Jews make bread. Jennie Simmons also read a paper concerning the Jewish customs.

All the banks of this city will be closed Friday and Saturday.

U. D. C. Held Meeting.

The Francis Marion Bamberg chapter, U. D. C., held its regular monthly meeting on Dec. 15th with Mrs. N. P. Smoak as hostess. Lovely little Christmas seals were on sale at this meeting for the benefit of Arlington monument. The chapter discussed plans for the celebration of Lee's birthday. As there are so few crosses of honor to be presented it was decided to hold the monthly meeting on January 19th, and use a Lee programme. Mrs. M. E. Ayer gave a splendid report of the State convention, which she attended in Yorkville. Mrs. J. W. Price and Mrs. J. J. Cleckley gave interesting readings. While a delicious sweet course was being served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Clarence More and Miss Bessie Lee Black, several musical selections on the Victrola were enjoyed.

List of Jurors.

The following jurors have been drawn for the two weeks' special term of court for January:

FIRST WEEK.

J. J. Smoak, G. H. Smoak, Lee Fall, H. K. Creech, B. E. Griffin, J. L. Proveaux, J. E. England, B. D. Donald, P. A. Carroll, L. W. Copeland, R. L. Zeigler, F. C. Ayer, J. G. Copeland, J. A. Murdaugh, J. R. Martin, J. W. Stokes, L. O. Brabham, J. F. Breland, Jr., A. L. Wilson, J. O. Kearse, A. M. Kinard, George Padgett, J. W. Lancaster, W. B. Smith, C. W. Bessinger, T. N. Rhoad, W. H. Connolly, G. O. Mather, J. F. Bishop, W. H. Carter, A. P. Beard, D. Bessinger, W. H. Cain, W. A. Morris, B. Riley Morris, W. D. Bessinger.

SECOND WEEK.

J. B. Rush, G. W. Goolsby, Cornelius Wilson, J. F. Copeland, J. B. Brickley, C. F. Padgett, R. A. Ayer, G. E. Smoak, E. F. Free, G. E. Bamberg, G. B. McClelland, Elijah Fall, H. M. Herndon, William Bell, L. D. Hiers, T. L. Churchwell, P. M. Haddock, J. G. Matthews, Joe M. Gillam, J. A. Griffith, C. B. Free, Jr., J. G. Beard, J. I. Dempsey, J. P. Smoak, J. A. Bassett, J. D. Hoffman, C. M. Carter, E. B. Price, L. M. Ayer, J. C. Folk, Jr., W. R. Bessinger, N. Crider, L. C. Eubanks, I. B. Felder, A. B. Coggins, C. E. Sandifer.

Mr. C. B. Free Stricken.

Mr. C. B. Free, clerk of court, was Saturday night about 6:30 stricken with paralysis at his home in the city. He remained conscious for a few hours, and was able to converse feebly with those near him, but at 10 o'clock he became unconscious and has not spoken since. While his condition is desperate, his family still hold out hopes for a recovery. His many friends throughout the county will learn with deep regret of his condition.

Prohibition Sentiment.

"I found a stronger sentiment for prohibition in Bamberg county than I had been led to expect," said J. K. Breeden, secretary of the new State-wide prohibition movement, yesterday afternoon. "As has been said before," continued Mr. Breeden, "business men are aligning themselves with this movement who have never supported prohibition before. Merchants are not taking kindly to the condition, so common now, of liquor sales exceeding sales of merchandise."

"We had a prohibition union service in the Baptist church at Denmark Sunday night. Among the speakers were T. U. Cox, a highly esteemed business man of Denmark, and S. G. Mayfield, a distinguished lawyer of Bamberg, who is also a man of affairs and a big planter. In his address Mr. Mayfield discussed the question of enforcing a prohibition law and showed how it could be easily enforced. Mr. Mayfield told the audience that he had thought at first that this was an inauspicious time for the movement, but that after discussing this question with prominent business men of Bamberg he had revised his opinion and thought this the right time.

"Of especial interest to me, the audience was prepared for it from similar experiences—was a statement made by the speaker showing the relative sales of liquor and merchandise in Denmark Saturday. Five of the largest stores of Denmark together, with total stocks of \$40,000, sold \$195 in cash, whereas the dispensary alone sold \$240. That sort of thing has brought the liquor question home to those merchants, you may be sure. But I was told about the same thing at Branchville this morning, though that was just an estimate, I believe."

"That prohibition is our big question today is proved by comments overheard on the trains. Our forces are being mobilized everywhere. I have already received, without solicitation, assurances of support from several members of the general assembly."—The State.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

MANY LITTLE TOTS MAKE THEIR WANTS KNOWN.

Old Scout to Have a Busy Time During the Holidays Pleasing Little Ones.

Olar, S. C.
Dec. 19, 1914.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a Doll Carriage, and a Doll trunk, and a stove. My little Brother wants a toy automobile and a toy watch and a toy Pistol. Don't forget the fire works and fruits. This is all I will ask you to bring us. your little friend,

CORINNE HENDERSON.

Bamberg, S. C.

Dear Santa Claus.

I want you to bring me a Football. A cowboy Suit some fire works. Also some Fruit and candy. Good bye for this Christmas.

JOHN OLIVER FOWLER.

Denmark, S. C.
Dec. 18, 1914.

Dear Santa Claus:

I will write you a short letter to ask you what I want. I hope not to be greedy. I want an air rifle and some fruit, candy, and some fire works. I hope I have not asked you for too much. Your friend

ROBERT CALIFF.

Bamberg, S. C.
Dec. 13, 1914.

My Dear Old Santa:—

I am a little girl seven years old and going to school am in the second grade I have been on the honor roll each month, have not been absent a day. Please bring me a doll and doll carriage and all kind of fruits. With love from your little friend

ADRINE MORRIS.

Bamberg S. C.
R 1 box 34.

Dear Santa Claus.

As Xmas is near I thought I would write you a letter I am a little girl eight (8) years old I am going to school I am in the third grade. I have a little brother he is three years old our father is dead please send me a doll and some fruits and candy Send little Brother horn horse dog toys or something to please a boy I wish you a merry Xmas

REBA STEEDLY.

Bamberg S. C.
R F D No 1.
Dec. 18, 1914.

Dear Santa Claus:—

As it is most time for you to come I want to ask you to bring me a work box and a locket and please bring me some candy and bring me all kind of fruit and please remember all of the poor little children. Lots of love to you and Mrs. Santa Claus, I am your little friend

REBECCA RUTH MORRIS.

Denmark South Carolina
December 18, 1914.

Dear Santa.

I am a little girl ten years old. I am in the fifth grade at school. I want a doll and some Roman Candles sparklers and fruits and candy, and don't forget my little sister she wants a stove and a cup and saucer and a wash stand and some rubbers. Your little girl

RUTH S CALIFF.

Colston S. C.
Dec—19—14—

Dear Santa Claus

I am a little Girl of 9—in the 3rd grade am glad to say that we have a good Graded School now—and I will tell you what I want. I want a doll—and a Bed—a Carriage Candy and some fruit.

REBA McMILLAN.

Dear Santa Claus—

I want you to bring me a doll, doll carriage, and a ring. Bring my little sister a doll and carriage also. Don't forget fire-works and fruits. Your friend

LILLIAN ELOISE DELK.

Bamberg, S. C.
Dec. 19, 1914.

Dear Old Santa—

As it is nearly Christmas I thought I would write and tell you what I wanted you to bring me for Christmas. I want a foot ball, a pocket book and plenty of fruit and fire works. My little sister says she wants a doll baby, a picture book and some fruit. Love to you—Your little friend

KINARD HERNDON.

Bamberg S. C.
December, 15, 1914

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to please bring me a big pretty doll, a little bed, a set of dishes, a nice book to read, and lots of fruit and nuts. Your friend,

HORTENSE SANDIFER.

The usual Christmas rush is on at the postoffice. The mails are being handled as promptly as possible.

WANT REFERENDUM.

Secretary of "Drys" Says Campaign Will Be Launched.

Columbia, Dec. 3.—That the prohibitionists are going to launch their fight as soon as the general assembly convenes for a referendum on driving the legal sale of whiskey from the State was the statement made this morning by J. K. Breeden, secretary of the prohibitionists. Petitions asking the legislature for this referendum are being circulated in every voting precinct, and Mr. Breeden thinks the demand will be so strong that the referendum will be assured. He says the fight will begin as soon as the lawmakers assemble and they will not give way for other matters.

There are a great many people in South Carolina who will regret to see this issue injected into the coming session, for they believe that promises made to the people last summer deserve first consideration. Anyone familiar with conditions knows that there are a great many constructive measures to be considered and who view the injection of the prohibition fight with apprehension. They think that the people had an opportunity last summer to vote on this question and passed it up, for Lieutenant Governor Chas. A. Smith advocated a prohibition referendum in his race for governor, and many of the best posted people of the State consider the vote of the people last summer as against bringing up this old fight this session. "Give the legislature a chance to act on compulsory education and other constructive measures" is the cry of thousands of people who are weary of political strife, and strife is what the injection of the prohibition issue will stir up. "Go slow, gentlemen," is the admonition.—News and Courier.

MANNING AND RACING.

Governor-Elect Talks With Greenville Man on Subject.

When Richard I. Manning becomes governor of South Carolina in January it is generally agreed he will immediately place a ban on racing in Charleston if racing be in progress, as it is now planned by turf magnates. The Sumter man practically assured J. N. King, of this city, that he would take this step while the two were conversing on a Greenville and Columbia train yesterday afternoon. Mr. Manning was en route to Clemson college, where he is attending a meeting of the trustees of that institution today. Mr. King was returning from a hunting expedition in Newberry county.

Mr. Manning broached the subject in relating an experience which happened to him on a trip the other day. He said he was sitting in a car across the aisle from a race track follower and a friend of his, that the two were talking about the prospects for a racing meet in Charleston this winter. The turf magnate is quoted as having said that there would be racing in Charleston next January and February regardless of the incoming governor.

"We fixed it up with Bleese all right and can do the same with Manning," is the way the South Carolinian reported the conversation to Manning when the turf magnate had departed. In repeating the incident to Mr. King, Manning said "they will learn differently by next January," for he doesn't "expect to tolerate with horse racing for one minute."—Greenville Piedmont.

Mute Ran Burglars Out of House.

W. H. Rogers, deaf mute, of near Cedar Spring, used the sign language of the emergency code a few nights ago when two professional tramps entered his home and demanded a good, old-fashioned hog and hominy supper. Without ceremony the men entered the living room and prepared to bake their feet before the open fire place, much to the consternation of the host. Under the pretense that Mr. Rogers would retire to the kitchenette and place the order for the Thanksgiving tea, the tramps mused in deep anticipation for the royal repast.

When Mr. Rogers returned he excitedly handled his double-barrel breach-loader. Exit tramps.

On the following morning, it is related that the coat worn by one of the tramps, was found hanging on a tree with a few words of respect to their discerning host of the evening before.—Spartanburg Journal.

Dividend Declared.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Peoples bank Tuesday an 8 per cent. annual dividend was declared, and also a substantial amount was added to the surplus fund.

Likely.

Judge—Officer, what's the matter with the prisoner—tell her to stop that crying—she's been at it fifteen minutes. (More sobs.)

Officer—Please, sir, I'm a thinking she wants to be bailed out.—Nebraska Awgwan.

ORANGES FOR SOLDIERS.

Another Movement Has Been Launched in Florida.

Furnishing the military hospitals of Europe with oranges from the growers of Florida, is a movement recently launched here by J. Alex Little, of this city. Arrangements have been made for free transportation of oranges over the Clyde line and the Cunard line. Mr. Little stated yesterday that oranges could be shipped in twenty-five lots as often as they are assembled, according to the offers made by the shipping lines. He has already sent off a shipment of fruit in this connection.

He believes that many tourists in the State this winter will anxious to assist the wounded soldiers, and will be glad to buy oranges for them.

Mr. Little has also launched a movement to supply tobacco and cigarettes to the soldiers on the firing line. (Packages costing a quarter are made up and shipped with a card bearing the names of the sender. Mr. Little invites the public to also assist in this movement.

The London Times and other influential publications have organized the "Over Seas Club," which is handling the matter of contributions generally. A half-pound of smoking tobacco, fifty cigarettes and a box of matches for the soldiers of Great Britain was the beginning of the movement.

Writing for the Paper.

This society item was actually sent in to our Fluffy page, with the request that it be printed as written, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. And here then is the way they write society news outside of the office:

"There was a sound of revelry by night, and bright the lamps shone o'er fair women and brave men, and when music rose with its voluptuous swell, soft eyes looked love to eyes which spoke again and all went merry as a marriage bell during the popular and well attended dance at — hall, November 5, under the auspices of the — Dance Club, who were fortunate in securing one of the most tastily equipped suits in the Sixth City. Sherbert was served. "But hark, hush! Is it the maybr moving on us with his lid? No, 'tis but the Cop come to see if we have a Permit! The piano and violin were blended for the melody. Miss Adelaide Scows waltzing was a feature of the evening. If there is any charge for this notice send bill to below."

Beds in Japan.

The sale of bedsteads, mattresses, etc., in Japan is limited to foreigners and wealthier Japanese who own semi-foreign residences, according to a consular report. Japanese homes rarely contain rooms large enough to accommodate beds, and accordingly the people sleep on wadded quilts piled upon the floor. Floor space is measured by "mats," each 6 by 3 feet dimensions, which, according to Japanese ideas suffice for one person by both day and night. During the day the quilts are folded and laid away in a closet, in order that the room may be used as a workshop, a dining room, or a living room, as the case may be.

Owing to constant changes in the foreign population, new arrivals who fail to bring their furniture usually find bargains in beds and appurtenances thereto at the auction rooms. At auction Japanese dealers bid in all such articles possible to replenish their stocks and resell them at a very small margin of profit.

Nothing New.

'Twas holiday time, and the gude-man had an enjoyable round of bibulous pleasures, which his better-half strongly disapproved of, relates the Pittsburg Dispatch.

"Look here," she began, "on every stomach there are three coats, and excessive indulgence in alcoholic liquors wears these coats away."

"Well, Susan," he replied, "if that's so my poor old stomach has been going about in its shirt sleeves a long time now."

Drawing the Line.

"How about a tar roof for your hotel?" asked the agent.

"Not in this town," declared the landlord of the Umphville house. "The boys have already carried off half my beds for tar-and-feather parties. I don't want 'em to begin on my roof."—Kansas City Journal.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Advertisements Under This Head 25c. For 25 Words or Less.

For Sale—One Mann's Green Bone Cutter. One Wilson Hand Mill. One Oat sprouter. If you raise chickens, here is a bargain. F. G. P. WEIGAND, Schofield, S. C. 1-1-15

For Sale—New crop pure Georgia cane syrup in barrels, kegs and cans. Write for prices. W. H. DAVIS, Augusta, Ga., 1-10-15